

**Minutes of Regular Meeting of October 27, 2015**  
**One Twin Pines Lane**

**CALL TO ORDER 7:00 P.M.**

**ROLL CALL**

**COUNCILMEMBERS PRESENT:** Reed, Lieberman, Stone, Braunstein

**COUNCILMEMBERS ABSENT:** Wright

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Led by retiring Firefighter Ken Mitchell and retiring Police Sergeant Robyn Pitts.

**SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS**

**Senator Jerry Hill**

Senator Hill commented regarding outgoing Councilmember and Mayor, David Braunstein, whose elected term expires following the November election. He expressed his appreciation for Mayor Braunstein's accomplishments as a City Councilmember.

**Proclamation Honoring Ken Mitchell, Retiring Firefighter**

Deputy Fire Chief Thrasher provided background of Firefighter Mitchell's career.

Mayor Braunstein presented Firefighter Mitchell with a proclamation, and Mr. Mitchell commented regarding his career with the department.

**Proclamation Honoring Retiring Police Sergeant Robyn Pitts**

Police Chief DeSmidt provided background of Sergeant Pitts, and presented her with a plaque.

Mayor Braunstein presented Sergeant Robyn Pitts with a proclamation, and Ms. Pitts commented regarding her career with the department.

**Red Ribbon Week Poster Contest Winners**

Police Chief DeSmidt announced the following Red Ribbon Week Poster Contest winners:

Kane Tanabe  
Riley Clarke  
Paige Melinauskas  
Ameera Ghuman

**RECESS: 7:25 P.M.**

**RECONVENE: 7:35 P.M.**

**PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA**

**Karen Shane**, Belmont resident, commented regarding older videos on the web and requested they be reformatted to newer technology.

**Megan Winslow, Christine Labaree, Greg Cala, and Haoshen Wu,** Belmont residents, advocated for off-leash dog hours at Barrett.

**Alina Kagan,** Belmont business owner, spoke regarding the opening of her new optometry business.

### **COUNCILMEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Mayor Braunstein commented regarding the upcoming all-mail ballot election.

### **COMMENTS REGARDING CONSENT CALENDAR**

Human Resources Director Dino provided clarification regarding some of the data included in staff report on the Consent item related to approval of the Memorandum of Understanding with the Mid-Management Confidential Employees Association.

### **ITEMS APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR**

Motion to Receive Monthly Financial Reports

Resolution 2015-101 approving a forty-two (42) month Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Belmont and the Mid-Management Confidential Employees Association

Resolution 2015-102 approving the dates for this year's Holiday Closure from December 25, 2015 through January 1, 2016, and for next year's Holiday Closure from December 26, 2016 through January 2, 2017, inclusive.

Resolution 2015-103 converting the two-way stop to an all-way stop at the intersection of Alden Street and Academy Drive

Resolution 2015-104 establishing "No Parking" zone along the curve at 841 and 843 Covington Road

Resolution 2015-105 establishing 18 feet "No Parking" zone in front of the Hiller Sanitary Sewer Pump Station located between 604 and 606 Hiller Street

Resolution 2015-106 establishing "No Parking" between 4:00 PM and 6:00 PM, Monday through Friday on the east side of Sixth Avenue between Ralston Avenue and Emmett Street

Resolution 2015-107 establishing "No Parking" zone at 1768, 1770, 1772, and 1774 Terrace Drive and the southeast corner of Terrace Drive and 1403 Notre Dame Avenue

Resolution 2015-108 Authorizing the City Manager to Execute a Contract With Carousel Industries for a Replacement 9-1-1 System and 5 Year Maintenance for an Amount not to Exceed \$212,301.43

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**ACTION:** On a motion by Councilmember Stone, seconded by Councilmember Reed, the Consent Agenda was unanimously approved (4-0, Wright absent).

### **OTHER BUSINESS**

**Rezoning, General Plan Amendment, and Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Marriott Springhill Suites Hotel Development at Shoreway Road and Cormorant Drive (Assessor's**

**Parcel Number 040-373-030)**

Community Development Director de Melo described the hotel project to be located on Shoreway Road, and outlined the Planning Commission's review and recommendation of approval. He described the entitlements requiring City Council approval, including approving a resolution adopting the Mitigated Negative Declaration, introducing an ordinance to rezone the property, and setting a Public Hearing for November 10 to adopt the ordinance. He clarified that no comments were received from Belmont residents on the environmental document.

In response to Council questions, **Steve Pieters**, Applicant, explained that the parking will include charging stations for electric vehicles. He noted that not all guests will have a car, and that shuttle service will be provided. He summarized the feedback provided by Redwood City's Architectural Review Board on this project. He explained that the project will go out to bid, and his organization usually uses local labor, including for ongoing operations. He explained that projected transit occupancy tax revenues could range from \$750,000 to \$1 million annually.

In response to Council questions, Community Development Director de Melo explained the outreach efforts and public hearing noticing that was performed for this project.

Discussion ensued regarding parking needs for hotels.

Councilmembers commented regarding the value of the proposed development, including the positive effect on the City's economy.

**ACTION:** On a motion by Councilmember Reed, seconded by Councilmember Stone, and unanimously approved (4-0, Wright absent) to introduce an Ordinance Rezoning the subject property from M-1 Limited Manufacturing to C-3 Highway Commercial, direct the preparation of a resolution amending the General Plan Designation for the property from L1 - Light Industry to CH-Commercial Highway, adopt Resolution 2015-109 adopting a Mitigated Negative Declaration, and schedule a public hearing on November 10, 2015 for consideration of the General Plan Amendment and Rezoning Ordinance.

**Zoning Ordinance Amendment - Section 5.4.2(g) - Hotel/Motel Uses in the C-3 Highway Commercial Zoning District**

Community Development Director de Melo noted that this is a zoning cleanup item. He pointed out the inconsistency in the definitions section of this ordinance.

**ACTION:** On a motion by Councilmember Lieberman seconded by Councilmember Stone, and unanimously approved (4-0, Wright absent) to introduce an ordinance amending the Zoning Ordinance 360, Section 5.4.2(g) – Hotel/Motel Uses in the C-3 Highway Commercial Zoning District, and schedule a public hearing on November 10, 2015 for consideration of the ordinance.

**COMMISSION, COMMITTEE, AND COUNCIL INTERGOVERNMENTAL ASSIGNMENT UPDATES, AND STAFF ITEMS**

**Verbal report from Councilmembers on Intergovernmental (IGR) and Subcommittee Assignments**

Councilmembers reported on their intergovernmental assignments.

**Verbal report from City Manager**

No Report.

**MATTERS OF COUNCIL INTEREST/CLARIFICATION**

**Consideration of Potential Veterans Memorial in the City of Belmont (Reed)**

Councilmember Reed expressed a desire for Council approval to expend staff time to explore ideas for creation of a Veterans memorial.

Council concurred to have the City Manager work with staff on this matter.

**ADJOURNMENT at this time, being 8:45 p.m.**

Terri Cook  
City Clerk

Meeting televised and videotaped